NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF EMERGENCY REGULATIONS OF THE ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES

On July 17, 2012, the Alaska Board of Fisheries adopted, as emergency regulations, changes in Title 5 of the Alaska Administrative Code dealing with commercial salmon fishing in District 6 (Tanana River drainage) of the Yukon Area, including the following:

5 AAC 05.362(j) is changed to give the commissioner of fish and game authority to close the commercial set gillnet fishing season in District 6 (Tanana River drainage) of the Yukon Area and immediately reopen by emergency order a commercial salmon fishing season during which only a fish wheel may be used, with certain gear operation specifications, and any king salmon taken by a fish wheel must be immediately returned to the water alive.

The emergency regulations took effect July 18, 2012 and will expire November 14, 2012. The Alaska Board of Fisheries does not intend to make the emergency regulations permanent.

For a copy of the emergency regulations, contact Monica Wellard, Executive Director, Alaska Board of Fisheries at Boards Support Section, P.O. Box 115526, Juneau, AK 99811-5526, or go to http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=fisheriesboard.main.

Statutory Authority: AS 16.05.251

Statutes Being Implemented, Interpreted, or Made Specific: AS 16.05.251

Fiscal Information: The regulations are not expected to require an increased appropriation

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Monica Wellard, Executive Director

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